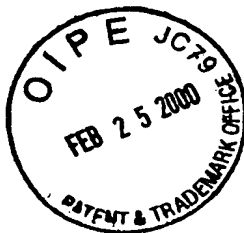


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- ☐ Other: _____.
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 was established in a previous submission.

- ☐ A Statement Claiming Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ This application is no longer entitled to small entity status. It is requested that this be noted in the files of the Patent and Trademark Office.
- ☐ Substitute Pages _____ of the Specification are enclosed.
- ☐ An Abstract is enclosed.
- ☐ _____ Sheets of Proposed Corrected Drawings are enclosed.
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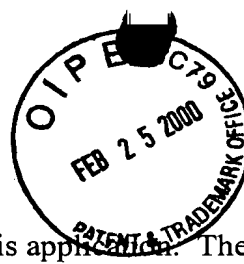


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